1. An article of manufacture comprising:

a component container; and

a plurality of labels removably affixed to the component container and having printed thereon an identifier, wherein the identifier is encoded in a component inside the component container and uniquely identifies the component.

- 2. The article of manufacture of claim 1 wherein the plurality of labels comprises a first label and a second label.
 - The article of manufacture of claim 2 wherein the first label is attached to a device in which the component is installed.
 - The article of manufacture of claim 2 wherein the second label is attached to a package in which the device is shipped.

The article of manufacture of claim 1 wherein the unique identifier is printed on the plurality of labels as a bar code.

6. The article of manufacture of claim 1 wherein the unique identifier of the component comprises an electronically encoded identifier.

The article of manufacture of claim 1 wherein the label is made of polyester.

- 8. The article of manufacture of claim 1 wherein the component container is an electro-static discharge bag.
- 9. The article of manufacture of claim 1 wherein the plurality of labels are removably attached to the component container.

18 A method comprising:

determining a unique identifier encoded on a component;

printing the unique identifier on a plurality of labels; and

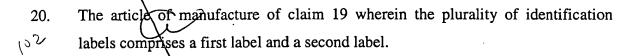
P11384-AP.doc BSTZ Seattle affixing the plurality of labels to a component container into which the component is inserted.

- 11. The method of claim 10 wherein the plurality of labels comprises a first label and a second label.
- 12. The method of claim 11, further comprising attaching the first label on a device in which the component is installed.
- 13. The method of claim 11, further comprising attaching the second label to a package in which the device is shipped.
- 14. The method of claim 10 wherein printing the unique identifier on the plurality of labels comprises printing a bar code on the labels.
- 15. The method of claim 10 wherein determining the unique identifier of the component comprises reading an electronically encoded identifier from the component.
- 16. The method of claim 10 wherein the label is made of polyester.
- 17. The method of claim 10 wherein the container is an electro-static discharge bag.
- 18. The method of claim 10 wherein the plurality of labels are removably attached to the component container.
- 19. An article of manufacture comprising:

a base label having a designated area thereon to receive an identification label;

a plurality of identification labels removably attached to the designated area of the base label, wherein the identification labels have printed thereon an identifier which uniquely identifies a component inside a component container to which the base label can be attached.

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21. The article of manufacture of claim 20 wherein the first label is attached to a device in which the component is installed.

The article of manufacture of claim 20 wherein the second label is attached to a package in which the device is shipped.

The article of manufacture of claim 19 wherein the unique identifier is printed on the plurality of identification labels as a bar code.

- 24. The article of manufacture of claim 19 wherein the unique identifier of the component comprises an electronically encoded identifier.
- 25. The article of manufacture of claim 19 wherein the base label and the plurality of identification labels are made of polyester.
- 26. The article of manufacture of claim 19 wherein the container is an electro-static discharge bag.